

LEADERS ARE WELL REPRESENTED AT FAIR

ALLAN LINER NOT SUNK BY GERMAN SUB

Note Stating Kaiser's Government Believes Mine Was Cause, is Now on Its Way to Washington.

EVIDENCE IN ARABIC CASE IS SENT BERLIN

Part of German Note May be Withdrawn When Statements in Case Arrive in Germany.

BERLIN, via Amsterdam, Sept. 15.—Ambassador Gerard today forwarded to Washington a note regarding the sinking of the Allan liner Hesperian which was handed to him yesterday by Herr von Jarow, the German foreign minister. The note sets forth the fact that the German government does not credit the reports that the Hesperian was destroyed by a submarine.

The Overseas News Agency today made public the following statement on the Hesperian affair:

"Although all the submarines which were out at sea on Sept. 14, have not returned, it seems practically certain that the Hesperian was not sunk by a German submarine. No German submarine on that critical day was in the waters where the Hesperian sank, according to the official list of their disposition.

"Besides, the effects of the explosion were such as to make it more likely that a mine and not a torpedo struck the Hesperian. This is confirmed by the fact that the explosion occurred at 8:45 p. m., when it was dark, and invariably in recent cases which have been established as mine accidents, several so-called 'eye witnesses' pretended to have seen the periscope of a submarine.

By John Edwin Nevill.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—All of the evidence dealing with the sinking of the Arabic, compiled by the United States, has been forwarded to the Berlin foreign office through state department sources, at the request of the German ambassador. It will be considered by the German admiralty in the light of the report made by the submarine commander.

Count von Bernstorff is understood to believe that when this evidence, much of it the sworn statements of Americans, is considered, that part of the Arabic note justifying the action of the submarine, will be withdrawn voluntarily and a modified disclaimer strong enough to satisfy President Wilson will be submitted.

In the meantime, the ambassador (CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO.)

ENEMY RETREATS SAYS PETROGRAD

Entire Austro-German Right Wing Reported in Dangerous Position.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 15.—Two sudden flanking movements by the Russian troops have put the entire Austro-German right wing in a dangerous position which threatens with disaster the great Teutonic invasion of Russia, according to the latest reports received by the war office.

South of the Pripiet marshes large German forces are hurriedly retreating, pursued by the Russians, who have crossed the Niemen river and are pressing forward. Still further south the Austro-German troops forced to withdraw to the Styra river are finding it difficult to hold their positions.

In the fighting of the last three days more than 15,000 prisoners have been taken by the Russians. The Austro-German armies are believed to have lost three times that number in killed and wounded.

Gen. Ivanoff, commander of the southern Russian army, has executed a brilliant piece of strategy, according to the Petrograd military experts, permitting the Austrian and German forces to advance to the Lutsk-Dubno line, he suddenly launched an offensive against the "Teutons" left flank from the Pripiet marshes at the same time, making a similar attack on the enemy's right from the Sereth river positions.

The Austro-German salient extending into Russian territory from north-eastern Galicia immediately found itself in great difficulty. Retreating was found necessary. That retreat is now in progress. Only part of the Russian army has been able to extricate itself, however.

WOMEN'S REST CAMP IS FORCED TO MOVE

Position is Undesirable One—Proved Valuable Feature on Tuesday.

The women's rest camp conducted at the fairgrounds by the Women's Civic League of South Bend was forced Wednesday to move from the advantageous position which it occupied Tuesday to a very undesirable one on the sunny side of the casino on account of a disagreement between the Union Trust company and authorities of the fair association.

The Union Trust company occupies a booth to the east of the casino. The rest tent was pitched just east of that, partially shutting off the view of the bank booth on one side. Complaint from J. E. Neff on this score resulted in the removal of the tent, in spite of the fact that the women of the league had received permission to pitch it there the day before the fair opened.

It was at first stated that the tent was moved on complaint from the police headquarters nearby, but the officers in charge denied having made any such complaint and further asserted that they were glad the operation of the women, that they had had occasion during the afternoon to make use of the bed in the rest tent and of the attending nurse when a girl fainted Tuesday afternoon and was carried to the tent for attention.

Mr. Neff later stated that he had no objection to the tent and no quarrel with the women who were conducting it. The fair association, he said, had promised the Union Trust company exclusive position on the east side of the casino and that their granting space to the Women's Civic League to erect a rest tent there was in direct violation of the agreement.

The rest tent has been a very valuable feature during the heat of the day and the facilities it offers to say nothing of the services of the nurse have been appreciated by hundreds of mothers and children. The fair association is considering building a nursery on the grounds next year.

BOY BORROWS WHEEL AND FORGETS TO RETURN IT

Apprehension of Mishawaka Boy Charged With Larceny Raises

If someone should ask you to lend him your auto so that he could ride home to dinner and you should do so and he would then take the car and sell it, what could you do about it? Such a question has been raised in the case of Everett McCullough, 14 years old, Mishawaka, who has been taken in custody upon the complaint of Chester McClen, S. Lafayette st. McClen has filed an affidavit in the juvenile court charging the McCullough boy with larceny.

It is said that the boy became friendly with the plaintiff, borrowed a bicycle of him and then forgot to return it. Later he was seen by the plaintiff and was arrested. Investigation has shown that the McCullough boy was not acquainted with a River Park boy from whom he borrowed a bicycle one day to ride home to dinner. Instead of returning the wheel, however, McCullough rode away with it. The legal question seems to be whether or not in such a case there was intention to defraud in the beginning.

WILL VISIT ST. JOSEPH

Old Soldiers Will Aid in Dedication of Building.

Members of Auten Post, No. 8, G. A. R., will go to St. Joseph, Thursday morning where they will assist in the dedication of the new Memorial hall there. Invitations to Grand Army posts within a radius of 100 miles of St. Joseph were sent out. The local post was the first to accept the invitation.

MEET NEXT WEDNESDAY

Rotarians Will Continue Regular Weekly Luncheons.

In lieu of the luncheon and banquet tendered Allan D. Albert, international president of Rotary, last Monday, no Wednesday luncheon of the Rotarians was held this week. The weekly luncheons on Wednesday will be resumed, however, next week.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

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Race Results

NEWS-TIMES 2:17 TROT. Purse—\$1,000.

First Heat—Laburn Fuller, 1; Al-leroid, 2; Nora Holstein 3; Zulu Matd, 4; Jennie Hale, 5. Time—2:16 1/4.

2:15 PACE—PURSE \$400.

First Heat—Hoosier Boy, 1; Halora, 2; Bud D., 3; Dandy Heart, 4; Robert Baron, 5; Ina Z., 6; Corrie Young, scratched. Time—2:15 1/4.

2:40 COUNTY TROT—PURSE \$100.

First Heat—M. L., 1; Cruch Ma-gone, 2; Alto Girl, 3; Laura T., 4; Baby L., 5; Gay Baron, 6; Prodigious McKinney, 7; Charley H., 8. Time—2:34 1/4.

TROUBLE MAY RESULT FROM MEX HOLIDAY

American Troops Are Ready For Immediate Action. Can be Sent Wherever Needed.

ARMS ARE TAKEN FROM MEN ALONG BORDER

Washington Warns Americans to Stay Out of Mexico. Carranza May Gain Recognition.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—American consuls ordered out of states of Chihuahua and Sonora in Mexico.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—The Mexican border situation was causing officials acute anxiety today. The celebration of the anniversary of "Mexican Independence" was in progress and officials were fearful that an organized attempt would be made to outrage Americans.

War department officials were ready to move troops wherever they might be needed and every possible precaution has been taken to meet any emergency.

Meanwhile, it was considered certain that Gen. Carranza will have an opportunity freely to state his case to the Latin-Americans and Sec'y Lansing at Saturday's conference in New York. It is expected that he will be represented there by Luis Cabrero, Roberto Pesquera and Eliseo Arredondo and that they will endeavor to show that Carranza now is in position to protect foreign interests and to agree that he will adjust all legitimate claims for damages.

On the showing they will make and the manner in which the promises that will be exacted from them on behalf of the first chief are carried out, will depend whether ultimately he is to receive recognition.

Villa to be Represented.

It was reported here today that Villa was sending a commission to New York to challenge the Carranzista claims and to insist that if he really is sincere in desiring peace, he agrees to the peace conference plan as originally suggested by the conferees.

Anticipating the northern Mexico is to become a danger zone because of the severe defeats inflicted on Villa and his subordinate generals, the United States is withdrawing all Americans who will heed the suggestion of the consular representatives from the territory just south of the Texas border. This action, the state department explains, is entirely precautionary and due to no new information received.

The state department today reiterated its warning to Americans to stay out of Mexico. Its statement follows: "Owing to disturbing conditions on the Texas border the state department repeats the warning previously issued to Americans to stay on this side of the international boundary at this time."

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Sept. 15.—Five Mexicans were killed on the border last night and this morning by Texas rangers. Two of the Mexicans, who were dressed in the khaki uniforms of soldiers were shot to death last night when they were discovered spying upon the military movements of Texas troops. The other three were killed near Los Indos, where a battle was fought earlier in the week.

A report of the killing of the five Mexicans was made to Col. R. L. Bullard, commander of the United States troops in this section.

Col. Bullard detailed 600 soldiers to dig trenches along the Rio Grande, opposite the Mexican trenches, north of this city.

MANY STARVING.

MEXICO CITY (via Galveston, Texas Sept. 15), Sept. 14.—Gen. Emiliano Zapata's rebel horde committing terrible outrages in their campaign.

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ARTILLERY KEEPS BUSY ALONG WESTERN FRONT

PARIS, Sept. 15.—Artillery engagements and fighting with bombs, petards and mines were the chief events on the front last night, according to the official communique issued this afternoon.

The text of the communique follows:

"In Artois, in the sectors of Neuville and of Breilencourt, there were combats with grenades, accompanied by some artillery engagements.

"A battle with bombs occurred in the region of Lizons, to the west of Chaulnes and in the forest of St. Mart, to the east of Tracey-Le-Val.

"There was a rather violent combat to the north of the camp of Chalons and a mine conflict in the western part of the Argonne.

"The night was uneventful on the rest of the front.

Soldiers Driven Insane By Bombardments of Big Guns

PARIS, Sept. 15.—Insanity caused by the furious bombardments of the big guns has become one of the most appalling features of the great war. This grim harvest of modern war has just been brought sharply to the public mind by the establishment of great camps in southern and western France for the care of the thousands of soldiers who have been driven to lunacy by the continuous thunder of artillery and the nerve-wrecking explosions of millions of shells.

The foreign troops—those drawn from Asia and Africa—have proved the worst sufferers. But the numbers of Frenchmen and Englishmen who have been transformed to maniacs by the frightful experience in the trenches is larger than has ever before been known in warfare.

There are many instances where troops on the side of the allies have been driven insane by the constant thunder of their own guns, but the major portion of cases come from the trenches which are under the fire of the German artillery night and day.

Officers of the medical corps declare that the experience of passing through the camps for the insane is more harrowing than a visit to the hospitals where the wounded are lying.

Practically all of the lunatics are unwounded, but many of them, in addition to being insane are deaf and dumb, their hearing and speech being shattered by the roar of the cannon and the burst of shells.

It is estimated unofficially that there are half a million cannon maddened along the 700 mile battle front and many of these are always in action.

POINT GAINED BY STATE IN TRIAL

Copies of Canvassing Sheets Are Admitted as Evidence in Bell Case.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. Sept. 15.—The defense in the trial of Mayor Bell, charged with election conspiracy, lost a point at the very outset of the introduction of evidence today, when Judge Elchorn admitted in evidence copies of the canvassing sheets of the primaries of 1914 and other documents.

Atty. Charles W. Miller, for the defense, objected to copies of the canvassing sheets being introduced. He said that the defense had had examined part of the documentary evidence to be produced and urged the introduction of the original sheets.

He contended that the state was producing the documents the defense had examined.

Special Pros. Roach argued that copies had always been prima facie evidence and Judge Elchorn sustained his point.

Harry O. Chamberlain, progressive member of the election commission of 1914, the first witness, was placed on the stand to identify the copies of the canvassing sheets. Atty. Miller asked him whether there had been erasures on the sheets before or after he had signed them and he said he did not know.

Atty. Miller said the matter of erasures formed part of the reason for objecting to the evidence, but Judge Elchorn ruled that Chamberlain had signed the documents as official documents and as he was not able to say there had been changes, the tally sheet should be permitted as evidence.

Chamberlain could not say when the erasures and interlineations were made although he had a pretty good idea. The court overruled Miller's repeated objections and in this way Pros. Roach got the returns from all wards in to the records. Chamberlain admitted he could not tell what part of the canvassing sheets he had read before signing them, and Miller finally suggested that all the documents be offered as a whole with the defense being granted the right to offer objections later.

GERMANS CONTINUE TO GAIN IN POLAND

Berlin Report Tells of the Capture of 1,600 Russian Prisoners.

BERLIN, Sept. 15 (by wireless).—Despite the violence of the Russian counter attacks and the stubbornness of Russian defence, the Germans continue to advance in Poland. In southern Poland the Russians that are retreating toward Pinsk are being hotly pursued by the armies of Field Marshal von Mackensen.

The official statement of the German war office, issued today, states that the Schtschara river has been reached by the troops of Field Marshal von Hindenburg and that further south the Russians have been driven across the Schtschara by the forces of Prince Leopold of Bavaria.

South of the Niemen Field Marshal von Hindenburg's armies took 900 more prisoners.

It is also officially announced that Field Marshal von Mackensen's men have taken 700 more prisoners.

GETTING BOLDER

PARIS, Sept. 15.—German submarines are now operating on the western coast of France, off the mouths of the rivers Gironde and Loire.

ALLEES SPENDING 21 MILLION A DAY

Great Britain Has Nearly 4,000,000 Men to Oppose Teutonic Forces.

LONDON, Sept. 15.—The cost of carrying on the war against Germany has risen to \$21,000,000 a day. Official announcement to this effect was made in parliament today by Premier Asquith.

Discussing the situation in the theaters of war Premier Asquith declared that the allies' positions in Belgium and France have been greatly strengthened and that reinforcements have been sent to the Dardanelles to help in another great effort to force the way to Constantinople. Praise was given the Russians for their ability to retreat with an unbroken front before the advance of the Teutonic legions.

Premier Asquith did not give way to exaggerated optimism. On the contrary he said:

"Victory will very likely incline to the side that can stay the longest and which can stay the longest and that is what we propose to do. We have vastly exceeded any standard dreamed of before the war began, and as the war has gone on that standard has been raised.

As to recruiting, it was announced that 3,000,000 men have enlisted since the war began. These figures show that, if all these men are equipped for service, England has nearly 4,000,000 men under arms.

It was also stated that the work of national registration is incomplete. This has been regarded as paving the way to conscription.

CONTROL ALL BUT ONE CUSTOMS HOUSE

Ninth is Taken Over by American Forces Now in Haiti Republic.

WAS SECOND TRAGEDY

Wreck 25 Years Ago is Big Cause of Illness.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Sept. 15.—The death in New York last night of Miss Elizabeth Fenley, daughter of Oscar Fenley, president of the National Bank of Kentucky and a member of the board of St. Louis Federal Reserve bank, was the second tragedy in the family. About 25 years ago, Miss Fenley's mother and two children were killed in a wreck on the Old Colony railroad near Boston. Miss Fenley herself was badly injured in that wreck and the nervous trouble for which she had gone to New York for treatment is ascribed to its effects.

MICHIGAN CITY AND LAPORTE DAY BRINGS LARGE CROWD; FAST RACES ARE PROMISED

Officials Make Arrangements to Care for Larger Crowds—News-Times Stake Brings Out Classy Field—Railroads Bring in Crowds.

With the grand stand filled and a crowd of nearly 10,000 people on the grounds the second day of the Interstate fair really began so far as the followers of the horses are concerned here this afternoon when the fifth heat of the 2:27 trot was run off.

This race was postponed yesterday after four heats had been reeled off without a winner. Baron Alto and Moharrie split first and second money while Edna Gray was third and Cressie Medium fourth.

Today is Laporte and Michigan City day at the fair and in the morning crowds from those two places arrived at the grounds. The greatest number of them came in the afternoon, although neither city had entries in the races.

The fair officials were ready for a big crowd today. Wooden aisles leading to the ticket office at the main stand and at the grandstand office have been constructed. At Tuesday's races, more than 1,000 people were turned away from the grandstand, owing to the inability of the men at the ticket window to handle the crowds that wanted the choice seats. The grandstand was easily filled, but arrangements are being made to better handle the people.

Run Extra Coaches.

All railroads are putting on extra coaches on every train to handle the incoming and outgoing crowds during the remainder of the week, for all of the day from now on are out-of-town days. The Michigan Central will run an extra coach on the train arriving from Niles at 10:15 o'clock in the morning and the train leaving here in the afternoon will be held until 5:30 o'clock to accommodate crowds from southern Michigan.

One of the best races of the week was predicted for this afternoon when four horses were scheduled to start in the 2:17 trot for The News-Times purse of \$1,000. All of the starters have marks that are just about equal and with every one of them able to start together at the wire, a real horse race from start to finish was looked for. The same thing holds true in the other speed events, the 2:15 pace and the 2:40 county trot.

The last heat of the 2:27 trot, four heats of which were run off yesterday was still on the program for today. Zorua Alto and Moharrie, the two starters that battled it out yesterday, are the favorites for the last heat of the afternoon. Baron Alto has won two heats, while Moharrie has one to his credit, although breaks kept him from taking another yesterday afternoon.

Races Start Sooner.

The races started sooner this afternoon than they did yesterday when the first heat did not get under way until near 2:30 o'clock. The parade of the draft and light harness horses and cattle before the grandstand started at 12:30 o'clock today instead of a half hour later as it did yesterday. The change in this part of the program was made in order that the races might be started on time.

Judging was on in full force in all of the departments Wednesday morning. Most of the interest centered around the cattle examination which took place in front of the old grandstand at the ball park. Examination in the other departments was going on throughout the day.

Weather conditions Wednesday were better for the fair than on Tuesday. Although clouds in the morning threatened to spill rain on the race track, the weather man apparently changed his mind and sent a cool breeze to help things along.

People from Laporte and Michigan City who attended the fair at Laporte had much praise for the Interstate fair. With all due respect for the

PROMISES MUST BE KEPT BY LONDON

Connection of Failure to Act and Proposed Loan is Hinted.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—The state department again has directed the attention of the British foreign office to the enormous losses American importers are suffering through the failure of the allied governments to keep their promises of concessions whereby imports now in Holland can be rushed through to the United States.

Leading importers are charging directly in letters to the state department that the French government has never accepted this as a fact. It nevertheless has demanded of London that the promises already made be kept.

The explanation made by the British embassy to Trade Adviser Fleming is that the French government has interposed objections. Should Ambassador Page confirm this, it is expected that Ambassador Sharp at Paris will be asked to make representations to the French government along similar lines to those already made in London.

The situation is very serious because many of the importers accepting the promise of the state department that their goods could be released, have entered into delivery contracts and stand to lose very heavily unless they can get the goods to the United States. The regulations for the bringing to this country of goods of Belgian origin have reached the state department. They compel purchasers to secure affidavit that the goods are of Belgian origin or manufacture and the purchase money must be deposited in a British bank to remain during the continued occupancy of Belgium by the Germans.

GIRLS HAVE NARROW ESCAPE FROM FIRE

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. Sept. 15.—Fire that threatened the lives of over 300 employees, including 65 girls, did approximately \$40,000 damage to the plant of the American High Speed Chain Co., just south of the Union station this morning.

The flames started in the oil in the case hardening department on the third floor and made great headway within a few minutes, but all the employees succeeded in getting out of the building.

Thomas Gray, 48 years old, head draftsman, who risked his life to save valuable drawings, was rescued after clinging to a window sill until ladders were raised.

Chain links being dipped into oil while at white heat is supposed to have caused the fire. The factory has large orders on hand and was working full time. It will be rebuilt immediately.